



FLINKMAN Project on Flood Management A Brief Presentation

The FLINKMAN project aims to improve flood risk management. It is co-financed by the European Commission under the Civil Protection Financial Instrument and will run from January 2010 until December 2011.

Partners to the project

The FLINKMAN project is led by the region of Central Macedonia (GR).

The project also involves:

- the Province of Noord-Brabant (NL)
- the region of Hessen (D)
- the Balkan Environmental Center (GR)
- Sigma Consultants Ltd. (GR)
- the Assembly of European Regions

Objectives

The main objective of the FLINKMAN project is to develop an overarching framework that allows all actors involved in flood management to be linked. More specifically, the project intends to:

- Establish support tools based on ICT applications that will foster the collection, assessment and exchange of best practices across the EU.
- Promote transnational cooperation with the competent bodies all over Europe.
- Upgrade existing civil protection modules by taking into account the specified needs and initiating participatory mechanisms.

Actions Within FLINKMAN, partners will:

- Develop networking actions (identify and create clusters of relevant stakeholders in the partner regions, organise informative workshops for stakeholders)
- Compile a Good Practice Guide
- Create an online knowledge base with good practice in flood management
- Launch a participatory platform for all stakeholders

Expected results Flinkman aims to:

- Improve coordination between regional and national key actors in flood management and prevention.
- Provide a comprehensive assessment of human and environmental risks in case of flood incidents.
- Create an IT tool to easily and efficiently acquire and record, manage and disseminate valuable information on flood prevention and management.
- Develop a database of key stakeholders and best practice in flood management.
- Be a platform for international cooperation and best practice exchange.

Role of the Assembly of European Regions

AER will disseminate information on the project's progress and outcomes to AER members and will help the partners identify interested stakeholders that could contribute to the project.

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